

QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAM REPORT

October 1, 1999 – December 31, 1999

WRC-TV attempts to serve the public interest, convenience and necessity by presenting broadcast material which treats significant issues of the people in the communities served by WRC-TV station. WRC recognizes that it has an ongoing obligation to remain aware of such community issues and to exercise its best judgment as to what broadcast matter should be programmed to treat those needs and interests.

The following is a brief description of such community issues and some of the programs we believe have provided the most significant treatment of such issues during the period October 1, 1999 – December 31, 1999, including the title of such program, its time, type, source, date and duration of broadcast.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE-THIRTY AND NINE AM, FOUR, FIVE, SIX AND ELEVEN PM.

TYPE: News Series SOURCE: Local TIME: 5:00-7:00AM, 9:00-10:00AM, 4:00-5:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-7:00PM, 11:00-11:30PM, Monday – Friday; 6:00-6:30PM, Saturday and Sunday.

NEWS 4 TODAY. TYPE: News SOURCE: Local TIMES: Weekdays, 5:00-7:00AM, Saturdays, 6:00-7:00AM, 9:00-10:00AM, Sundays, 6:00AM-8:00AM, and 9:00AM-10:30AM. (News 4 on Sunday was expanded to 10:30AM as of Sunday, August 6, 1995.) DURATION: See Times.

WRC-TV reporters probe special issues of concern to area residents. **Stories generally appear more than once in the daily newscasts, as they are recapped throughout the day.** WRC-TV initiated, in December 1992, active closed captioning of its news broadcasts. Currently, all regularly scheduled news programs thirty minutes or longer are closed captioned. Also, special news events sometimes are closed captioned, depending on the availability of the transcription service. The word for word transcription service includes chitchat between stories at two hundred plus words per minute, with less than a three-second delay. This effort addresses the needs of more than 300,000 deaf and hard of hearing people in the Washington area.

THE MCLAUGHLIN GROUP. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV studios) TIME: Saturdays, 7:30-8:00PM, Repeated Sundays, 11:30AM. DURATION: thirty Minutes. This public affairs panel, anchored by John McLaughlin, features discussion and analysis of current national and world events by five candid and respected Washington commentators.

ONE ON ONE. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Syndicated (Originates from WRC-TV) TIME: Sundays, 12:00 DURATION: Thirty Minutes. Host John McLaughlin interviews a prominent political or world leader each week on selected newsworthy issues.

REPORTERS NOTEBOOK. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 6:15-6:30AM. DURATION: Fifteen Minutes. This reporter roundtable, which premiered on October 4, 1992, features discussion of public affairs issues by leading area journalists. The program is part of News 4 Today and usually is hosted by WRC-TV reporter Tom Sherwood. He is joined by journalist Milagros Ardin, WMAL-AM; Dave McConnell, WTOP-AM; and Jerry Phillips, WBIG-FM/WTEM-AM.

VIEWPOINT. TYPE: Public Affairs SOURCE: Local TIME: Sundays, 7:00-7:30AM.
DURATION: Thirty Minutes. WRC-TV's Joe Krebs hosts this weekly exploration of issues and people impacting the community. The program is part of the two hour News 4 Today news block on Sundays from 6:00-8:00AM. It premiered on November 15, 1992.

I. TAKING CARE OF OUR CHILDREN and FAMILY

Many children in the Washington effort suffer from being denied the opportunity to grow up in a stable home with parents who can care for them emotionally and financially. WRC-TV helps these children directly through its Wednesday's Child project, described below. The station also broadcasts other news stories on the issue of adoption, some of which are described below.

NEWS FOUR AT FIVE PM. – WEDNESDAY'S CHILD. WRC-TV's Barbara Harrison, on selected Wednesdays, features a child or children who need a home, or celebrates a happy ending to an adoption story. In September, Barbara Harrison, with the Council of Governments, launched a program through which viewers may dial a phone number and find out more about adopting a child through any jurisdiction in our viewing area. Some of the stories are repeated on News 4 Sundays at nine AM. Some of the dates in which Wednesday's Child ran were:

October (10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27)

November (11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24)

December (12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 12/22, 12/29)

NEWS 4 October 3- a new rule in Cleveland stating that yelling and cheering of any kind would not be tolerated at children's soccer games

NEWS 4 October 5- Silver Spring High School program teaches teens to build new homes

NEWS 4 October 6- 8-year-old girl wins 50 thousand dollars in Pillsbury laughing contest

NEWS 4 October 8- local students deliver flood relief supplies to North Carolina

NEWS 4 October 8, 11- the Taste of DC music and food festival to be held from Friday to Monday; raised money for local charities and was a huge success

NEWS 4 October 8- report on how to offer children access to the Internet without subjecting them to unwanted material

Viewpoint 10/8/99 Mary Filardo, Executive Director, 21st Century School Fund; Dr. William Blount, Principal, C.W. Harris Elementary School; And Robert Cane, Executive Director, Focus, Discuss The 21st Century School Fund. The purpose of the 21st Century School Fund is to work towards modernizing urban public schools, improve the quality of education and strengthen the neighborhoods where the schools are located. Focus was organized so that public charter schools could have an advocate to improve and protect charter legislation.

NEWS 4 October 11- a high profile group of celebrities, gun owners, and gun manufacturers have created "Common Sense," a group to keep guns away from children

NEWS 4 October 11- Washington family travels to Hawaii to participate in the Ironman Triathlon

NEWS 4 October 12 – millions of America's children lack health insurance

NEWS 4 October 19 – Harry Potter books author draws crowds to bookstores in the DC area

NEWS 4 October 22- a member of the popular group N'SYNC visited children at an elementary school today

NEWS 4 October 22 – Baltimore Zoo treated its elephants to pumpkins today in exchange for performing tricks

NEWS4 November 3 – Freddie Mac sponsored a "Wednesday's Child 5K Run"

NEWS4 November 3 – NBC4 and Telemundo will be honoring the finalists and winners of the 1999 Hispanic Heritage Essay Contest, which are all students

Reporters Notebook, November 7 - Panelists: Doug Mckelway, News 4; Jerry Phillips, WBIG-FM/WTEM-AM; Dave Mcconnell, WTOP-AM; And Adrienne Washington, The Washington Times. Montgomery County School Officials Will Ask The Us Supreme Court To Allow Them To Use Race And Ethnicity As A Basis To Deny Student Transfers, A Policy Ruled Unconstitutional By A Federal Court

NEWS4 November 11, 12 – a judge in Virginia denied custody to Paula Johnson of her biological daughter in the baby-switch case

NEWS4 November 12 – PG County Executive Wayne Curry presented a check for \$1M to a non-profit group called "the Medical Care for Children Partnership"

Reporter's Notebook, November 14 - Panelists: Doug Mckelway, News 4; Jerry Phillips, WBIG-FM/WTEM-AM, Jonetta Barras, The Washington Times and Dave Mcconnell WTOP-AM. there is a plan on the table to cut the size of the University of the District of Columbia Governing Board. Montgomery County school officials announced a plan to overhaul the school system

NEWS4 November 19 – the McCaughey septuplets turned two years old today

NEWS4 November 19 – MD Governor's task force has given preliminary approval for a plan requiring childproof guns

Reporter's Notebook, November 21 - Panelists: Doug Mckelway, News 4, Jerry Phillips, WBIG-FM/WTEM-AM, Jonetta Barras, The Washington Times And Dave Mcconnell, Wtop-Am. Catholic Bishops Voted To Tighten Control Over The Nation's Catholic Colleges And Universities, Including Catholic University And Georgetown University. Racial Threats At The University Of Maryland. Montgomery County School Officials Will Contract With A Service To

Translate In 140 Languages For Parents Who Do Not Speak English. Zero Tolerance In Arlington With Fifth Grade Students.

NEWS4 November 30 – the President unveiled a new plan to help parents who need to take time off to care for a new child

NEWS4 November 30 – update on baby that was taken from a PG County hospital 12 years ago

NEWS4 December 2 – President Clinton signed a treaty that bans the worst forms of child labor

NEWS4 December 2 – a fire broke out at Corkran Junior High School in Severna Park

NEWS 4 December 7- study shows that teenagers who drink or use drugs are more likely to have sex

NEWS 4 December 8- the district is launching a new effort to find loving homes for more than 3 thousand foster children living in the district

NEWS 4 December 8- Nine year old Travis Butler lived in his house for one month with his dead mother's body; Travis was afraid to be put in a foster home

NEWS 4 December 8- child care experts say scores of VA families are using foster care funds to pay for the care of children with special needs

NEWS 4 December 13- the Salvation Army's Toyland at the old Woodies Building is expected to serve some 7 thousand children in the district

II. POLITICAL ISSUES

WRC-TV covers the activities of federal, state and local governments, and other regional organizations in a number of its programs, some of which are described below.

NEWS 4 October 1, 4- the VA Democratic Party is giving an online boost to dozens of candidates

NEWS 4 October 3, 6- Vice President Gore is standing by his campaign manager despite questions of financial mismanagement

NEWS 4 October 3, 8, 11- Senate scheduled to vote on a nuclear test ban treaty next week, President Clinton is trying to put vote off

Viewpoint, October 3 - Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton, District Of Columbia Discussed Why President Clinton Vetoed The Dc Appropriations Bill.

NEWS 4 October 4- the Supreme Court began the session that will take it into the new millennium

NEWS 4 October 4- guns in schools becomes a new issue for Democrats

NEWS 4 October 4- Supreme Court ruled a boy with AIDS will not be allowed to take karate lessons with his friends

NEWS 4 October 6- Anthony Williams announced a new deputy mayor

News 4 October 8- Jack Kent Cook's widow was back in court to fight for her citizenship

NEWS 4 October 11- Fairfax County Executive Robert O'Neill is resigning to accept a job as the head of a Think Tank that studies local government reform

NEWS 4 October 14 – sharp changes in the Republican campaign mail led to countercharges from the Democratic candidate in the 44th District Seat race

NEWS 4 October 18 – there are only four days left until the Federal government runs out of money

NEWS 4 October 18 – Ken Starr has been officially replaced as Independent Prosecutor

NEWS 4 October 22 – injunction was issued against law requiring voters in various Virginia localities to present ID before voting

NEWS 4 October 22 – DC Fire Chief is reported to maintain a home in Maryland in violation of rule set up by the District's Mayor that all top level cabinet staff live in the District

NEWS4 October 23- latest polls on Presidential race and show Vice President Gore and Texas Governor George W. Bush with double-digit leads for their party's nominations

NEWS 4 October 23, 24 – Reverend Jerry Falwell announced he will tone down his anti-gay rhetoric

NEWS4 October 24- former President Bush may sue author of new biography about his son, which claims the elder Bush got a cocaine charge against his son dismissed

NEWS 4 October 24 – report on budget battle between the President and Congress

NEWS 4 October 25 – Pat Buchanan announced today he is leaving the Republican party and will run for the reform party's presidential nomination

NEWS 4 October 25 – news coverage of the death of Rhode Island Senator John Chafee due to heart failure

NEWS4 October 26 – Democrats are accusing a leading Northern Virginia Republican of trying to mislead voters by sending out mailing reminding voters they need to

NEWS4 October 27- earlier today, gunmen stormed the Armenian Parliament building and shot and killed the Prime Minister and six other top leaders

NEWS4 October 27- Congress has passed a legislation to change the name of the Old Executive Building to the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building

NEWS4 October 27- Former President Gerald Ford and Former First Lady Betty Ford received the Congressional Gold Medal today

NEWS 4 November 1 – the Clintons are closing on a home in Chappaqua, NY

NEWS 4 November 4- Charles Heston was in Capitol Hill today arguing for fewer gun control laws

NEWS 4 November 4 – today is the 20th anniversary of the Iran hostage crisis

NEWS 4 November 9 – Germans celebrate the 10th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall

NEWS 4 November 9 – report on General Assembly campaign mail flap

NEWS 4 November 7, 11 – John McCain shot an ad for his campaign at Arlington National Cemetery against Federal Regulation

NEWS 4 November 9 – nine African Americans were presented with the Congressional Gold Medals at the White House today

NEWS 4 November 12 – NATO helicopters are at the scene of a deadly crash in Kosovo

NEWS 4 November 12 – President Clinton signed a sweeping banking bill today

NEWS 4 November 19- report on Linda Tripp's case

NEWS 4 November 20 – results of Maryland informal vote on who they would like to see their Party nomination for President

Reporter's Notebook: 11/27/99 6:15am Panelists: Doug Mckelway, Jerry Phillips, Jonetta Barras, Dave McConnell. Anthony Griffin The Newly Appointed Fairfax County Executive Pledges To Finish What The Current Executive O'Neill Started. Incoming Republican Leaders Of Virginia's General Assembly Have Decided On A Short Term Course Of Moderation Toward Ousted Democrats.

NEWS 4 November 30 – Supreme Court has been asked to revive a law aimed at shielding children from sexually explicit cable TV channels

NEWS4 December 1 – Former DC Mayor Barry asked Attorney General Reno to investigate an aborted FBI sting that targeted him

NEWS4 December 1 – Supreme Court heard arguments as to whether the FDA has the authority to regulate cigarettes

NEWS4 December 2 – Presidential debate ongoing tonight

Elian Gonzales

NEWS 4 December 5, 6, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 24 - the White House is not yielding to Cuba's demands in an international custody case that involves a young boy; the Cuban father is hoping to get him out; Castro is calling for mass demonstrations until the boy is returned to Cuba – news coverage of boy who survived in the ocean while his mother and 9 other people drowned on their way to Miami from Cuba. Relatives of 6 year-old Elian Gonzalez met with immigration authorities to press their case for him to stay in the US. Meanwhile, Cuban President Fidel Castro is orchestrating massive new anti-American rallies and calling for the boy's return to his father, who is still in Cuba

NEWS 4 December 6- Russian President Boris Yeltsin is back at work after being hospitalized for pneumonia

NEWS 4 December 6- Vice President Michael Subin was selected to be the Montgomery County Council's new leader

NEWS 4 December 7- Mayor Anthony Williams has named Norman Doug to be deputy mayor for operations and city administrator Erick Christian was named deputy mayor for public safety, and Robert Rigsby was named as corporation council for the district

NEWS 4 December 7- the DC council has given preliminary approval to a revised sex offender registration bill; under councilman Harold Brazile's bill, the names of sex offenders will be publicized

NEWS 4 December 7- the Fairfax board of supervisors has set a public hearing for next month on a major economic development project that will consist of two buildings for Richmond Highway

NEWS 4 December 7- Construction workers at the Pentagon came across an old US military shell; the shell was empty and not dangerous

NEWS 4 December 8- President Clinton announced that Syria and Israel will resume land for peace talks next week in Washington

NEWS 4 December 8,9,13,14, 17- six thousand district workers are expecting bonuses of 17 hundred dollars next week; the mayor is complaining that the council yesterday blocked his last minute plan to borrow money to pay for the bonuses; the mayor is researching alternative sources

NEWS 4 December 9- District Mayor Anthony Williams today says a law enforcement raid on the department of human services is part of a stepped up effort to hold city workers accountable

NEWS 4 December 9- Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder says the justice Department is investigating a complaint that the FBI acted improperly in its aborted sting of Marion Barry back in 1998

NEWS 4 December 9- a Russian diplomat accused of spying at the state department is being expelled from the US

NEWS 4 December 9- President Clinton is vowing to close the digital divide that some say threatens to leave minorities behind in the computer age

NEWS 4 December 9- first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton is taking a stand against the President on one of his first major policy decisions

NEWS 4 December 9- Two new polls one yesterday and the other today show John McCain ahead of republican rival George W. Bush in New Hampshire

NEWS 4 December 14- Republican Presidential contenders George W. Bush and John McCain clashed repeatedly tonight in a spirited debate broadcast on MSNBC

NEWS 4 December 14- the Panama canal is headed back into the hands of the Panama government

NEWS 4 December 14, 15, 16- Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak won parliamentary approval today for upcoming peace talks with Syria; peace talks will resume soon

NEWS 4 December 15- business leaders in northern VA got their first chance to hear from the incoming house speaker today and listen to his ideas on topics ranging from traffic to crime

NEWS 4 December 15- republican incumbent Jane woods has conceded to defeat democratic Leslie Byrne in a close race to represent Fairfax in the state senate

NEWS 4 December 15- Willie Brown hasn't lost an election since 1964 and kept his streak alive by winning a second term as mayor of San Francisco

NEWS 4 December 15- Al Gore's Presidential campaign today released summaries of his medical history; he is heart is in excellent shape

NEWS 4 December 16- a congressional advisory group says severe punishment is not the way to go when it comes to juvenile offenders

NEWS 4 December 17- Russian forces have launched a full assault on the Chechen capital of Grozny the attacks are designated to dislodge several thousand militant Islamic separatists based in the city

NEWS 4 December 17- Democrat Paul Sarbanes has filed for re-election which could make him the first Marylander to serve five terms in the Senate

NEWS 4 December 17- a booming economy in VA enabled Governor Jim Gilmore today to propose a budget for the new century that includes new spending and tax cuts

NEWS 4 December 18- the threat that terrorism will usher in the new year is preoccupying police in the US and Canada tonight; several have been arrested for suspicious behavior

NEWS 4 December 19- Vice President Gore and former Senator Bill Bradley were together again on Meet the Press

Viewpoint: 12/19/99 7:00am David Kelly, President Northern Virginia Madd, Kurt Gregory Erikson, Executive Director, Washington Regional Alcohol Program And Rev. Salvatore Criscuolo, Chaplain, Dc Police And Fire Discuss Holiday Safety On The Highways

NEWS 4 December 20- the Vermont Supreme Court ruled today that same sex couples are entitled to the same benefits and protections as married couples of the opposite sex

NEWS4 December 20-report on the President and First Lady's five million dollars unpaid legal fees

NEWS4 December 21- First Lady helped kick off Mothers Against Drunk Driving's "Tie One on For Safety" Campaign

NEWS4 December 22-Federal workers in the Baltimore-Washington area will be getting a pay increase-the biggest since 1981

III. HEALTH

WRC-TV covers issues related to health care, maintaining and improving health, and health-related breakthroughs.

NEWS 4 October 1, 7- A decision by the Illinois supreme court today opens the door to patients being allowed to sue HMO's for malpractice; House of Representatives passed a sweeping patient's bill of rights of measure

NEWS 4 October 1, 11- The University of Maryland student suffering from bacterial Meningitis is showing signs of improvement; he is now recovering at home

NEWS 4 October 4- The number of Americans without Health Insurance grew by nearly a million last year

NEWS 4 October 4- new research says the sleeping partners of people who snore are often sleep deprived

News 4 October 4- a fire causes more than 30 people including firefighters and workers to be treated for possible p-c-b contamination; no warning had been issued about possible cancer causing contamination

NEWS 4 October 4- Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg returned to the bench after surgery for colon cancer

NEWS 4 October 5- a woman left blind by last year's terrorist bombing of the US Embassy in Nairobi Kenya was honored by the National Federation of the Blind; she still faces 2 cornea transplant operations

NEWS 4 October 5- Stroke is the third leading cause of death a cause of long term disability; study shows people who eat more fruits and vegetables had lower risk of stroke

NEWS 4 October 5- A new study shows that getting your hair washed at the salon can lead to neck and arm pain

NEWS 4 October 5- scientists at Cornell University report they have injected mice with a gene that helps hair grow; it has yet to be tested on humans

NEWS 4 October 6- a rescue mission is underway tonight to help a sick doctor who is stranded at the South Pole

NEWS 4 October 7- the maker of Phen-Fen has agreed to pay nearly 4 billion dollars to thousands of people who filed lawsuits after using the drug combination

NEWS 4 October 8- 80% of Americans will have back pain that is serious enough to need medical help

NEWS 4 October 8- Fairfax County Animal Control officers issued rabies alert due to the increase in rabies cases caused from wild animals infected with the disease

NEWS 4 October 8- Dozens of organ transplant recipients gathered at Chantilly Virginia Hotel for a dinner organized by the committee for transplant awareness, organ donors were also honored

NEWS 4 October 11- study suggests that drinking tea may help avoid heart disease

NEWS 4 October 11- the disproportionately high abortion rate among blacks has sparked an African American group of pastors to march on Washington

NEWS 4 October 11- Federal Health officials say there's no evidence linking Saddam Hussein to the recent Encephalitis outbreak in New York

NEWS 4 October 11- A new medicine is available for people who suffer from panic attacks by regulating hormones in the brain

NEWS 4 October 11- for the first time in its 116-year history, the prestigious "Journal of the American Medical Association" has a female editor

NEWS 4 October 14 – a vaccine designed to prevent HIV infection has now been tested on five thousand humans

NEWS 4 October 15 – today is National Mammography Day

NEWS 4 October 19 – new study finds breastfeeding appears to lower the risk of developing some forms of childhood leukemia

NEWS 4 October 20 - report on new tool to help with early asthma diagnosis.

NEWS 4 October 22, 23 – nurses went on strike at Howard University Hospital for a period of 24 hours

NEWS 4 October 27 – a new test for lung cancer patients could significantly increase survival rates

NEWS 4 October 26 – Bill Gates announced his charitable foundation will give \$20M to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

NEWS 4 October 26 – new study says exercise may be huge benefit for people suffering from depression, as well as lower a woman's risk of breast cancer

NEWS 4 October 26 – FDA rules it's okay if makers of soy foods claim on their packages that soy can lower your risk of heart disease

NEWS 4 October 25- researchers are working on a vaccine to prevent cervical cancer; the disease is the third deadliest cancer among women

NEWS 4 October 26- study finds that women who exercise at least one hour a day may reduce their risk of breast cancer by 20%

NEWS 4 October 26- a drug called Leptin, which can help overweight people, is currently under study

NEWS 4 October 26, 27- one in five American adults is obese; study indicates that living below the Mason-Dixon Line can affect a person's waistline; in the southeast, the obesity rate jumped 67%

NEWS 4 October 27- the FDA has approved the use of a new drug called Taxol for treating patients with early stage breast cancer

NEWS 4 October 27- the government has approved a new pill treatment called "Tamiflu" to treat the flu; another new treatment is an inhaled drug called Relenza

NEWS 4 October 28- dead crow found near downtown Baltimore carried the West Nile-like virus, which can cause Encephalitis; officials say it is under control

NEWS4 October 29 – a shortage of one type of penicillin has worsened

NEWS4 November 3 – new study finds the prices of drugs used by older Americans is rising fast

NEWS4 November 5- report on Acne

NEWS4 November 3, 5, 8, 10, 12 – news coverage of Greater Southeast Community Hospital sale

NEWS4 November 8 – study reveals pets relieve stress; News for Your Health

NEWS4 November 9 – report on heart attack study

NEWS4 November 10 – report on Viagra study

NEWS4 November 11 – doctors can now detect prostate cancer with a simple blood test

NEWS4 November 12 – News for your Health segment, focusing on cholesterol

NEWS4 November 18 – AIDS activists chained themselves to a Federal building today

NEWS4 November 19 – researchers say there are some foods on grocery store shelves that make you age faster

NEWS4 November 22- Olive oil is good for your heart

NEWS4 November 29 – Greater Southeast lays off 82 workers

NEWS4 November 30 – there is new evidence medical mistakes kill more people on the US than cancer, AIDS, or traffic accidents

NEWS4 December 1 – today is World AIDS Day

NEWS4 December 1 – the entire human chromosome has been mapped out for the first time

NEWS4 December 2 – three new studies find that heart valve damage suffered by Phen-Fen takers will not get worse

NEWS4 December 3 – report on experimental pill to treat leukemia

NEWS 4 December 6- some chemicals from aerosol sprays are making some people sick

NEWS 4 December 7- the operators of Shady Grove Adventist defended the troubled Hospital after the hospital lost its accreditation; the hospital plans to appeal

NEWS 4 December 8- a new study says the insertion of tiny metal coils called Stents, when combined with blood thinning drugs, could save 15 thousand lives a year

NEWS 4 December 13- health officials say nearly 100 thousand people die in American hospitals each year because doctors make mistakes

NEWS 4 December 14- the city temporarily shut down the district's public health lab in an attempt to approve conditions at the facility

NEWS 4 December 16- new help for some cancer patients, several insurance companies in the state of New Jersey have agreed to cover medical costs for cancer patients who undergo experimental treatments

NEWS 4 December 16, 17- a common antibiotic given to newborns to treat whooping cough has been linked to a severe stomach disorder

NEWS 4 December 17- in the Journal of Science, the University of South Florida scientists say their findings may lead to a drug to prevent Alzheimer's

NEWS 4 December 17- President Clinton today signed a bill designed to help millions of disabled Americans enter the work force

NEWS 4 December 20- there's new evidence that the number of AIDS cases is increasing fastest among older Americans

NEWS 4 December 21- researchers in Boston and Oregon say 500 milligrams a day of Vitamin C can reduce high blood pressure in heart patients by up to 9%

IV. VIOLENCE/CRIME

WRC-TV regularly covers issues related to crime, crime prevention, and anti-violence activities

NEWS4 October 1, 4, 5,6, 7, 8,14- news coverage of Hadden Clark trial, who is accused of murdering Michelle Dorr 14 years ago

NEWS 4 October 1, 2, 4, 11- District police now say both of the women who were found dead in a home in northeast Washington last week were murdered; one of the victim's grandson is suspected of the killings, and is in critical condition after shooting himself in the head

NEWS 4 October 2- Former co-workers of a retired Montgomery County woman, who was stabbed to death at her Derwood home in August, are raising money to up the reward for finding the killer

NEWS 4 October 3- a riot broke out during a soccer game in a town outside of Moscow due to rowdy fans throwing firecrackers onto the field; the fight broke out when police tried to stop them

NEWS 4 October 4, 5, 6, 7- Cochise Queen, a Laurel teenager is on trial for the murder of a forty year old Salvadorian

NEWS 4 October 4, 5, 6, 8- news coverage of woman's body found in Laurel in a wooded trail

NEWS 4 October 4- in Philadelphia, a high school assistant principle was shot in the leg, allegedly by a 17-year-old student

NEWS 4 October 4- Virginia State Police are searching for four men involved in a deadly case of road rage; the men were driving a black jeep and are asked to come forward

NEWS 4 October 4- Authorities in Germany are investigating vandalism at Europe's largest Jewish cemetery; neo-nazi violence could be suspected

NEWS 4 October 4- study showed that 99% of the paper money circulating through London is tainted with cocaine from people using the bills to snort the drug

NEWS 4 October 6- Pat Collins interview with an informant in the two-year-old Starbucks robbery case.

NEWS 4 October 6- Fairfax County Police are looking for a man who sexually assaulted a woman who went out to get her mail. There have been several other assaults in the route one corridor but police believe they are unrelated.

NEWS 4 October 6- The parents of Sabrina Aisenberg, the 5 month old baby missing since 1997, have been arrested and arraigned in Tampa, FL, on charges of conspiracy and lying about the case

NEWS 4 October 6- More information about the events that led to the arrest of Carl Cooper, the lone suspect in the Starbucks murders, is being uncovered

NEWS 4 October 6- former President Jimmy Carter is urging President Clinton to pardon newspaper heiress Patty Hearst, who was once kidnapped by the Symbionese Liberation Army before joining up with them

NEWS 4 October 7- WTOP radio reports that three thousand dollars disappeared from a D.C. police safe. The money was collected for the children of an officer who had died of cancer.

NEWS 4 October 8- Michael Fortier will stay in prison despite his plea for freedom; Fortier knew the building in the Oklahoma City would be bombed, and didn't tell authorities

NEWS 4 October 8- Police are beefing up patrols in the Reston area after reports that the brother of sexual assault suspect Calvin Lamont had been threatening residents.

NEWS 4 October 8,11- Montgomery county authorities are searching for Michael Anthony Lazas who walked away from a halfway house last weekend.; A nationwide search continues for Laza who pleaded guilty to murders in 1991 and 1993.

NEWS 4 October 8- A decision could come as early as next week in the Jonbenet Ramsey case.

NEWS 4 October 8- Aubrey "Franco" Brown, a security guard at Hayfield Secondary School in Hayfield, VA is accused of fondling a female student

NEWS 4 October 8, 9- people are now in custody in connection with the bombings in Kenya and Tanzania in August of last year

NEWS 4 October 8- Michael Fortier a key figure in the Oklahoma City bombing was re-sentenced to 12 years in prison today

NEWS 4 October 8- a fatal fire this morning was apparently sparked by a man who was smoking in bed; the man died in the blaze

NEWS 4 October 8, 11- Marion Edward Person is being held in Burke County, North Carolina in connection with peeping tom charges in Prince George's county.

Viewpoint, 10/10/99 - October is national domestic violence month. Panelists Dr. Jack Leeb, psychologist, Lydia Watts, attorney and Executive Director of Women Empowered Against Violence, and Cheryl Williams, domestic abuse survivor, discuss increase in domestic violence, the syndrome and tell where and how to get help.

NEWS 4 October 11- Al Vance has been charged with assault on a student at the elementary school he teaches at; he is out on bond

NEWS 4 October 11- Robin Kohrer was found dead this morning in the Fair Oaks section of Fairfax County. Murder is suspected.

NEWS 4 October 11- Samuel Sheinbein is scheduled for sentencing in Israel in two weeks. He is charged with the murder of an acquaintance in Montgomery County.

NEWS 4 October 11- Jury selection began in Laramie, Wyoming in the case again Aaron McKinney. He is charged with a hate crime in the murder of a gay college student.

NEWS 4 October 11- A UN staffer was killed in Pristina today. This death is the first since the UN Peacekeeping Mission began last June.

NEWS 4 October 11- Michael Lazas killed his own son and cut another man's throat; authorities have launched a nation wide search for him

NEWS 4 October 11- a fire in Baltimore County has killed a man and an 18 month old baby and injured a woman and her son

NEWS 4 October 11, 6- students from Texas A and M University were killed by a truck when another student fell asleep while driving; police decided against recommending charges; a grand jury will make that decision

NEWS 4 October 11- Kevin Padgette died in Frederick police custody after being arrested for driving while intoxicated following an accident on I-70; the man refused medical treatment and died of injuries sustained in the crash

NEWS 4 October 11- Prince George's County Police officers have been cleared of any wrongdoing in connection with the deaths of two men who died in custody

NEWS 4 October 20, 22, 27- 14 year old Travis Savoy was convicted of felony murder; he is believed to be the youngest person ever charged with first degree murder in the country

NEWS 4 October 22- teenager convicted in the beating death of a woman; recommended punishment was two and a half years in prison

NEWS 4 October 22, 27- 14 year old Travis Savoy has been convicted of murder, involuntary manslaughter, use of a handgun, and robbery with a deadly weapon; he faces life in prison and will be sentenced in Nov.

NEWS 4 October 22 – report on INOVA Fair Oaks nurse accused of causing patients' death by administering too much morphine

NEWS 4 October 23 – the KKK held a small rally in New York this afternoon without masks

NEWS 4 October 23 – LA Police Department is being investigated on at least seven questionable officer shootings

NEWS 4 October 23, 24 – DC Mayor Williams will review security at DC General Hospital after shoot-out by an inmate there

NEWS4 October 24, November 5 – an Israeli judge has sentenced Samuel Sheinbein to 24 years in prison for the 1997 murder of Alfred Tello; Sheinbein's parents spoke out for the first time

NEWS4 October 25 – three young people joy-riding in a stolen car are dead after a car crash in PG County

NEWS4 October 25, November 18 – Trial of third white man accused on the dragging death of a black man last year; he was sentenced to life in prison

NEWS4 October 25, 27, 29, November 3, 4 - opening statements were presented in the trial of Aaron McKinney, the second man accused in the beating death of Matthew Shepard. Judge in the murder trial might not let defendant's lawyers use the so-called "Gay Panic" defense; he was sentenced to life in prison

NEWS4 October 26 – woman from Sterling, VA, is under arrest for allegedly embezzling money from some people who had died

NEWS4 October 27 – a judge ruled today the proposed charter amendment residents of Takoma Park want banning handguns in their city wasn't constitutional

NEWS4 October 27 – Colorado Governor Bill Owens announced he will not appoint a special prosecutor in the JonBenet Ramsey case

NEWS 4 October 28- the jury in the DUI trial of Wizards guard Rod Strickland is expected to hear closing arguments tomorrow

NEWS 4 October 28- the justice department is close to wrapping up its 3 year investigation of the Montgomery County police department and allegations that the police use racial profiling to identify suspects

NEWS 4 October 28- a car that police believed to be stolen crashed into the front of Kenilworth Elementary School; the driver was arrested and no students were in the building

NEWS 4 October 28- a psychologist who is accused of helping her lover escape from a Maryland prison will go on trial

NEWS 4 October 28- a judge in Texas is threatening to throw news anchor Dan Rather in jail for not turning over the transcript of an interview with Shawn Berry, the defendant in the dragging death trial

NEWS4 October 29, November 1 – classes resumed today at a high school in Cleveland that was closed after authorities uncovered a plot to cause violence at the school

NEWS4 October 29 – Potomac grandfather is released on his own recognizance one day after being charged with nine armed bank robberies

NEWS 4 November 1- Prince George's County police are still investigating the murder of 15 year old Steven Sellman; there are no suspects

NEWS 4 November 1, 2- Donnell Smith, 14, and Rowland Ford, 15, were shot last night at 18th place and P Street; both were killed; others were treated and released

XEROX SHOOTING

NEWS4 November 2, 3, 5 - news coverage of Xerox Copier repairman, Bryan Uyesugi, who allegedly shot and killed seven co-workers in his office building in Hawaii

NEWS4 November 3, 4, 5 – a manhunt is going on in Seattle for a gunman who opened fire on a boat repair office

NEWS4 November 3 – report on robber who dresses as Abraham Lincoln

NEWS4 November 3- news coverage of husband and wife who were killed seven weeks ago in their animal hospital in Bladensburg

NEWS4 November 4 – police in Fairfax County are warning people to keep their doors and windows locked after a string of home burglaries

NEWS4 November 4 – police were called after several people complained that a group of youngsters was throwing rocks at cars below on Route 50 in Bowie

NEWS4 November 4 – human rights group reports is critical of youth facilities in Baltimore and PG County

NEWS4 November 5 – Dennis Rodman and actress Carmen Electra were arrested for domestic violence

NEWS4 November 5 – police say it was a Dutch tourist who turned up dead at a Manassas park last September; he was found beaten to death behind a church

NEWS4 November 5 – a Juvenile probation officer is being sued by the parents of a teenager she was assigned to watch over for having sex with the 16 yr old boy

NEWS4 November 5, 8 – prosecutors do not want to move Ruth Ann Aron from her jail cell; her lawyers want to move her to a halfway house so she can get better psychiatric care; a judge agreed with the prosecutor

NEWS4 November 6 – news coverage of honor student who was gunned down in the District Heights last weekend

NEWS4 November 6 - news coverage of sex assaults going on in Laurel, MD

NEWS4 November 7 – the ex-wife of an ABC cameraman opened fire as the crew was getting ready to broadcast today's Wisconsin-Purdue game; she was charged with attempted murder

NEWS4 November 8 – a high school student in Fairfax County was badly beaten by a group of students from another school

NEWS4 November 8 – in an attempt to make classrooms safer, PG County schools are planning on putting a police officer in every public high school

NEWS4 November 8 – the District's Power Shift went into effect last night – it is a way of getting more officers on the streets from 6PM through 2AM, when most crimes happen

NEWS4 November 9 – five first-year cadets at a Virginia military institute have been dismissed for beating a classmate

NEWS4 November 9 – news coverage of deadly fight outside the Sports Fan Club in Georgetown

NEWS4 November 9 – a task force that is looking for ways to reduce gun violence is proposing some changes in Maryland's gun laws

NEWS4 November 9 – news report on the Starbucks informant; she is in a witness protection program

NEWS4 November 10 – a man was hospitalized in serious condition after being shot by Montgomery County police officers

NEWS4 November 10 – a teenager who killed his parents, then opened fire in his high school cafeteria has been sentenced to 112 years in prison

NEWS4 November 10 – report on a robbery suspect who was shot by police after being spotted in a stolen car

NEWS4 November 11 – police are looking for a man who sexually assaulted a woman last night in the Hybla Valley area

NEWS4 November 11- DC police are searching for the men who killed an elderly cab driver in Southeast

NEWS4 November 12 – report on shooting in New York Avenue that left a man dead

NEWS4 November 12 – an unidentified man was killed by a Metro train at the Silver Spring station

NEWS4 November 11, 12, 13- a man who was set on fire Thursday night has died from his injuries

NEWS4 November 13, 18 – police in Laurel are looking for a car that may have been stolen after the murder yesterday of a 21 year old man; victim was found at home, shot on the back of the head

NEWS4 November 18 - Jesse Jackson agreed to compromise with the Decatur school board regarding the students who were expelled after a brawl at a football game

NEWS4 November 18 - a medical editor from Frederick County has pleaded guilty to killing his wife and then leaving her body in a car at BWI airport

NEWS4 November 18 – report on a school bus was hijacked early today on Chillum

NEWS4 November 18 – news report on attacks on cab drivers

NEWS4 November 19 – news report on plan to catch former Mayor Barry that was never carried out; sting involved the FBI, a DC Police Lieutenant, and his wife

NEWS4 November 19, 20 – police have no motive or suspect in the murder of a 19 year old Temple Hills woman whose body was found in a heavily wooded area of Brandywine

NEWS4 November 20 – a man accused of sexually assaulting a woman on Capitol Hill is facing new charges in PG County – sexually assaulting two women in Laurel

NEWS4 November 20 – PG County are looking for a hit and run driver who killed a man in Laurel last night

Viewpoint: 11/21/99 - Patrick D. Hynes, Special Agent in Charge, Division Director of the ATF Washington Field Division; Wilma Lewis, US Attorney for the District of Columbia; and Erik Christian, Mayor's Deputy for Public Safety and Justice, discuss Operation Ceasefire, a comprehensive strategy to reduce gun violence

NEWS4 November 21 – a 26-year-old man was shot and killed at birthday party in Laurel

NEWS4 November 30 – FBI agents are in Mexico at the scene of mass graves; more than 100 people, including some Americans, are believed to have been killed by drug lords; a Mexican policeman may have killed some of the people found

NEWS4 November 30, December 1, 2, 3 – several protestors at this week's World Trade Organization meetings in Seattle were taken into custody for demonstrating inside the convention center

NEWS4 December 1 – two men are now charged in the murder of two teenagers who were killed on South East DC on Halloween night

NEWS4 December 1 - woman who was carjacked at the Landmark Mall in Alexandria is speaking out as police step-up search for the suspect

NEWS4 December 2 – police have arrested the man they believe to be the Abe Lincoln Bandit; he would dress as Abraham Lincoln while committing robberies

NEWS4 December 2 – 200 students took part in a candlelight vigil today at the University of Maryland, to unite against hate, prejudice and fear

NEWS4 December 3 – news coverage of the 10 year anniversary of the disappearance of Melissa Brannen; efforts to find her continue

NEWS4 December 3 – The Board of Regents passed a resolution today calling for zero-tolerance of hate crimes and acts of bias

NEWS4 December 3 – local daycare provider Kathleen Ann Butcher has been arrested in connection with of shaking a 15 month old girl in her care to death

NEWS4 December 5, 6, 7, 9- five women were shot and killed in Baltimore tonight and police are searching for the persons responsible

NEWS 4 December 6, 7- four students were wounded when a 13 year old gunman at Ft.Gibson middle school in Oklahoma, the gunman is in custody

NEWS 4 December 7, 9- there's a new development tonight concerning the investigation into the deaths of more than 100 people at group homes for the mentally disabled in the district

NEWS 4 December 7- the FBI is investigating whether the deadly shooting of an elderly woman on Maryland's Eastern Shore was racially motivated

NEWS 4 December 8- authorities in Utah have captured two boys who escaped from a wilderness program for troubled youths

NEWS 4 December 9- the names of sex offenders in Montgomery County are now available through the Internet

NEWS 4 December 13, 14, 15 - a former New York City police officer has been sentenced to thirty years in prison for assaulting a black immigrant with a broomstick

NEWS 4 December 14- Parents of Columbine victims are outraged that members of the media got the first look at videotapes made by the two gunmen

NEWS 4 December 14- The prosecutor in Talbot County Maryland says he will seek the death penalty if Richard Spicknall is convicted of murdering his two children.

NEWS 4 December 14- The State Department has confirmed the arrests of twelve suspected terrorists connected to International Terrorist Mastermind Osama Bin Laden

NEWS 4 December 14 - Takoma Park couple who was turned in by their daughter for growing marijuana was sentenced today.

NEWS 4 December 14- Police in Fairfax County is searching for a man who's been exposing himself to young girls

NEWS 4 December 15, 21, 24 – news coverage of search and arrest of Rae Carruth, a football player accused of murdering his pregnant girlfriend.

NEWS 4 December 15- A DC Police sergeant has been disciplined for hiring officers to provide security for a private party when they were on duty.

NEWS 4 December 16- A former doctor from Northern Virginia will be spending two years in prison, for treating cancer patients with treatments that were not approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

NEWS 4 December 16-Columbine High School in Littleton Colorado was closed today and will close again tomorrow because of a threat against the school.

NEWS 4 December 16- 45 year old Grace Kim was sentenced today for bribing a district government official to get an occupancy permit for a massage parlor.

NEWS 4 December 17- The FBI arrested an 18 year-old of Cape Coral Florida for an internet threat that closed Columbine High School yesterday and today

NEWS 4 December 18- A Prince George's County man is in jail tonight for emailing threats to schools Superintendent Iris Metts.

NEWS 4 December 18- A man was charged yesterday with bringing in explosive materials into the United States from Canada. The suspect is linked to terrorist Osama Bin Laden

NEWS 4 December 19-For the second time in three days, the two Democratic Candidates for President faced off on National TV in a spirited debate.

NEWS 4 December 19- A massive manhunt is underway for a man suspected of helping an Algerian National charged with trying to smuggle bomb making materials into the U.S.

NEWS 4 December 20- A 30 year old Prince George's County man is being held without bond on charges that he e-mailed threats and racial comments to the county school superintendent.

NEWS 4 December 20- Fairfax County Police are trying to find out who vandalized Frost Middle School over the weekend. About 100 windows were smashed.

NEWS 4 December 21- A Prince William County Jury deliberated just three hours before finding a teenager guilty for beating a mother to death.

NEWS 4 December 23- a man charged with robbing a bank near Pittsburgh, PA, is pleading Cultural Insanity.

NEWS 4 December 24- The FBI and DC Police have found blue van carrying explosives

NEWS 4 December 24- DC Police say a man was shot in the chest tonight while driving down I-295. The man lost control, and is now at DC General Hospital.

NEWS 4 December 24-Linda Tripp's wiretapping trial has been postponed until July

NEWS 4 December 24- District police officers leave has been canceled, in an effort to ensure safety for the New Year's Eve celebration.

NEWS 4 December 24 - hijacked Indian Airlines jet is not at a military base in the United Emirates. The hijackers have agreed to release some of the pas

V. CONSUMER

WRC-TV airs daily segments on issues of interest to consumers, including safety, cost saving, government regulations, and new products.

NEWS 4 October 1- People who falsely call the D.C. fire department can expect fines from \$100 to \$800, and possibly face prosecution

NEWS 4 October 1- Every worker in the nation will get an annual benefit update from the social security administration about three months before the worker's birthday

NEWS 4 October 1- report on Remar Sutton's book "Don't Get Taken Every Time" and Consumer Reports Magazine

NEWS 4 October 4- Pizza Hut plans to put a big ad on the side of an unmanned Russian spaceship, set to take off in mid November

NEWS 4 October 4, 8- Customers of State Farm auto insurance have won a record damage award totaling nearly 1.2 billion dollars after first asking for 456 million in damages and a breach of contract claim

NEWS 4 October 5 - MCI and Sprint need to get government approval for one of the biggest mergers in the country

NEWS 4 October 5- 22 workers were exposed to radiation after an accident at a South Korean Nuclear Power Plant

NEWS 4 October 5- A woman in Hong Kong was conned into believing that the Y-2K bug was a stomach virus, and lost 15 thousand dollars on fake cure pills

NEWS 4 October 5- Alan Greenspan met privately with other members of the Federal Reserve Board and the presidents of the Fed.'s 12 regional banks, reviewed interest rates and decided to forgo this year's third increase

NEWS 4 October 5- The Federal Trade Commission Local and Federal officials unveiled the push to eliminate mail fraud

NEWS 4 October 5- D.C. and Maryland have a 94% on time mail delivery record according to a post office survey

NEWS 4 October 5- Pumpkin prices will probably go up due to the drought and small crops

NEWS 4 October 5- A free inspection is being held at Fitzgerald Auto Mall for child safety seats Thursday 10am to 7pm

NEWS 4 October 8- More than 250-thousand bottles of Scrub Free Daily Shower Cleaner and Spray sold from May of this year through Oct. 4 have been recalled due to a possible bacteria that could cause respiratory infections

NEWS 4 October 8- CVS's photo policy is to discard photos after 90 days

NEWS 4 October 8- Travel scams can affect people traveling for the millennium

NEWS 4 October 8, 11- Elvis Presley's memorabilia auction began this weekend and brought in more than 5 million dollars

NEWS 4 October 11- Colt Manufacturing plans to discontinue seven lines of consumer handguns, partly due to legislation encouraging crime victims to sue the gun makers and also due to layoffs will cutback production

NEWS 4 October 11- several of the nation's largest Airline companies are joining Continental airlines in raising ticket prices

NEWS 4 October 11- Chemistry Professor Pill-Soon Song uncovered a protein molecule in plants that can make grass grow slower

NEWS 4 October 12 – report on college credit cards

NEWS 4 October 15 – Northern VA is being called the new Internet capital

NEWS 4 October 19 – GE is recalling more than 3 million dishwashers

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NEWS 4 October 22 – Amazon.com has filed a patent infringement suit against BarnesandNoble.com.

NEWS 4 October 23 – Virginia Power Company is asking the Virginia Corporation commission to approve a 2-percent increase.

NEWS 4 October 25 – report on travel/vacations clubs deals

NEWS 4 October 25 – a counseling center has opened in Redmond, Washington, to treat people who may be addicted to the Internet

NEWS 4 October 25- a website, raising ethical questions, offers the eggs of beautiful models to the highest online bidders

NEWS 4 October 25- the American Bar Association has launched a new website to help online shoppers learn their rights in cyberspace; you can check out the site at the ABA website at "safeshopping.org"

NEWS 4 October 26 – report on who delivers orders fastest: web shops or catalogs; plus guide to doctors

NEWS 4 October 26 – starting in model year 2001, Ford says it will install safety bars on its larger trucks to prevent them from entering smaller cars' passenger compartment during crashes

NEWS 4 October 26 – GE dishwasher recall update

NEWS 4 October 28- a new Harrah's casino will open in New Orleans; for operating the only land based casino in the area, the company has to pay the state 100 million dollars a year

NEWS 4 October 28- report on telecommuting growing trend

NEWS 4 October 28- survey says that people feel they have a better chance of getting rich by winning the lottery as opposed to saving and investing

NEWS 4 October 28- Coke is working on a vending machine that automatically increases the price of a soft drink when it gets hotter outside

NEWS 4 October 28- stocks rallied after the labor department reported solid economic growth

NEWS 4 October 29- the Georgetown flea market is closing for good this weekend

NEWS 4 October 29- Halloween has become second only to Christmas in the amount of money spend on holiday items

NEWS 4 October 29 – Ask Liz segment covering artificial sweeteners, 7-11 store receipts, and deer whistlers on cars

NEWS 4 October 29 – Bell Atlantic has entered in an agreement with the federal government to fill more than 2 thousand new entry-level jobs

NEWS 4 October 29 – State Farm agents from across the country are calling for a congressional investigation into the “questionable practices by America's largest insurance company”

NEWS 4 November 1- Nordstrom's Department store will now sell shoes online at “nordstromshoes.com”

NEWS 4 November 1 – report on Going Out of Business sales

NEWS 4 November 3 – Daimler-Chrysler will officially retire the Plymouth at the end of the 2001 model year

NEWS 4 November 2- the US Government is making it easier to buy US savings bonds; you can now get them online

NEWS4 November 4 – the Senate passed a bill that could create one-stop shopping for banking, stocks, and insurance – it's called the financial services modernization act

NEWS 4 November 4 – report on ads for 10-10 long distance numbers

NEWS 4 November 4 – head of the NAACP is threatening to boycott network TV because of what he calls a “dearth of blacks and other minorities in front of the camera and behind the scenes”

NEWS4 November 4, 5 – segment on rebates:– do you really get your money back?

NEWS 4 November 5, 8 – news coverage of Microsoft stockholders reactions at the outcome of the anti-trust trial

NEWS 4 November 9 – PG County adopted a law to protect victims of a crime called Identity Theft

NEWS 4 November 10 – there is a new computer virus called “Bubbleboy is back”

NEWS 4 November 10 – report on the nation’s Y2K readiness

NEWS 4 November 10 – Liz reports on informercial products

NEWS 4 November 10, 11 – news coverage of watermain break in Chevy Chase/Wisconsin Ave

NEWS 4 November 12 – news report on “Love On Line”

NEWS 4 November 12 – Liz’ “Does it Really Work?” segment, featuring a dehydrator, an indoor grill,

NEWS4 November 18 – the Federal Government issued reassurances about the nation’s food supply for Y2K

NEWS 4 November 18 – report on how easy it is to find information about people on line

NEWS 4 November 19- Liz’ Tricks of the Trade segment, covering automobile investment

NEWS 4 November 23 – comparison on shopping online vs. retail

NEWS 4 November 24 – find lost luggage at bargain price online

NEWS 4 November 29 – report on deregulation of the power companies

NEWS 4 November 30 – hours after getting government approval, Exxon and Mobil have completed their \$81 billion merger

NEWS 4 November 30 – for the holiday season, the post office has a website where postal customers can go online to check zip codes or to buy stamps or track packages; report on toys

NEWS 4 December 1 – best airfare websites; make the best out of your frequent miles

NEWS 4 December 2 – report on bunk beds safety; and, the CPSC has recalled 900 thousand basketball nets due to strangulation hazard for children

NEWS 4 December 2 – new study suggests a disturbing link between cell phones and memory loss

NEWS 4 December 3 – report on the stock market

NEWS 4 December 7- a federal court judge has signed an order in a class action lawsuit that will get some homeowners their money back from hot water heaters with defective parts made between 1933 and 1996

NEWS 4 December 9- construction is set to begin in two months on a project called gallery place, that is expected to be a major boost for downtown development in DC

NEWS 4 December 9- GAP is recalling 231 thousand of these children's pajamas sold at GAP and Old Navy stores; the sleepers fail to meet flammability standards

NEWS 4 December 9- Consumer Reports Magazine says that for the most demanding gear, digital and automated cameras, the "Duracell Ultra" lasted longer by a wide margin

NEWS 4 December 9- in Venice, Italy, people will be charged money to use the toilets in the city as a way to raise money

NEWS 4 December 14- the government board meeting today will discuss the issue of whether people should pay taxes on online purchases

NEWS 4 December 14- the Washington Post reports negotiations are underway about a possible marketing alliance between America Online and Wal Mart

NEWS 4 December 14- with the millennium hype, the Y2K fears and now a State Department warning for Americans traveling abroad, many have decided to spend new year's eve at home

NEWS 4 December 14- the humane society says buyers beware, hundreds of products made with cat fur are showing up on area store shelves at the height of the holiday shopping season

NEWS 4 December 14- District Court Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson asked a mediator to step in to attempt to resolve the Microsoft anti trust case

NEWS 4 December 14- Bell Atlantic says some of the circuits it uses to route calls in and out of the District were accidentally disconnected

NEWS 4 December 14- repairs are now done on a water main break on University Boulevard in Wheaton, but crews still need to fix the road

NEWS 4 December 14- there's a move afoot to have hundreds of people work at home instead of commuting to work

NEWS 4 December 16- the pentagon says the military is ready for Y2K

NEWS 4 December 17- UPS is in their busiest season

NEWS 4 December 17- 10 women in North Carolina entered a wrestling ring to compete for a package filled with toys

NEWS 4 December 17- a car safety seat for infants made by Kolcraft had been recalled

NEWS 4 December 20- a study called the Lundberg survey finds that gas prices have skyrocketed over the past year

NEWS 4 December 21- the District's acting Fire Chief says his department is more prepared than ever for the holiday season and new year's eve

NEWS 4 December 21- the NAACP says it's making progress with the big four TV networks

NEWS 4 December 22- Bell Atlantic will become the first regional Telephone Company to offer long distance service to its customers

NEWS 4 December 22- MD and VA have a new hi-tech plan for tracking traffic congestion and it involves people who use their cell phones on the beltway

NEWS 4 December 23- computer experts at the nation's 64-nuclear power plants have been working hard for the past several years to "out-smart" the Y2K computer bug

NEWS 4 December 23- the New York Daily News reports that the porn queen Marilyn star has hired a Washington lawyer named Howard Shapiro; she is accused of illegally profiting from information she allegedly got from James McDermott

NEWS 4 December 23- both the Dow and Nasdaq have reached new heights today

NEWS 4 December 23- Redskins owner Daniel Snyder has decided to sell his marketing company

NEWS 4 December 23- DC mayor Anthony Williams announced a compromise today that will keep a local food store from occupying a historic theatre in Columbia Heights

NEWS 4 December 24- junior achievement conducted a survey of children nationwide and found that most think adults are overreacting to Y2K

NEWS 4 December 24- the company that makes beanie babies says it's going to let the public decide the fate of the popular toys, by holding a worldwide vote on the Internet

NEWS 4 December 24- the only nuclear power plant in Maryland says it is ready for Y2K

NEWS 4 December 24- City officials announced today a compromise that will keep a food store from gutting the theater in Columbia Heights; the store will be built behind the Tivoli

NEWS 4 December 24- the stock market is going into the three day Christmas weekend on a high note; the Dow and Nasdaq composite closed with new all-time highs

NEWS 4 December 24- the online arm of Toys are us is telling some customers the orders they placed online won't be delivered in time for Christmas

VI. EDUCATION

WRC-TV regularly broadcasts news and other segments about and pertaining to educational issues. Some examples are listed below.

NEWS 4 October 4, 5- The county council voted unanimously to install security cameras in all public high schools by Sept. of 2000

NEWS 4 October 5- Governor Jesse Ventura spoke with Chris Matthews of CNBC at Harvard to undergraduates

NEWS 4 October 5- A new study shows that college tuition and fees are up less than 5% this year

NEWS 4 October 6- several local teachers are recipients of the Milken Educator Award, including 25 thousand dollars

NEWS 4 October 6, 7- residents near Catholic University are angry at noisy, trash producing, off campus parties and demand help from the school who promises no commitment

NEWS 4 October 11- Princeton University is considering dropping the A+ grade mark and replacing it with an "A with distinction" for truly outstanding work

NEWS 4 October 12 – high school student will go before judge for making signs that threatened his classmates

NEWS 4 October 23 – concert was held in the White House this afternoon to raise money for VHI's Save the Music program which benefits school music programs.

NEWS 4 October 25 – Mentor 2000 was held today

NEWS 4 October 25- a teacher in Ohio handed out a controversial homework assignment, asking students to write about one famous person they would want to assassinate

NEWS 4 October 27 – the Williamsburg Foundation says it will pay the tuition of any employee who wants to earn an associate's degree from Thomas Nelson Community College

NEWS 4 October 29- the Virginia state board of education is considering a plan to help ease the teacher shortage by allowing retired military personnel to become teachers through a month long seminar to get a provisional license

NEWS4 October 29 – report on payroll problems affecting DC school teachers

NEWS4 November 1 – the House just passed a widely anticipated tuition assistance program for District high school graduates

NEWS4 November 1 – classes are back in session at a high school in Cleveland, OH, where some students were allegedly planning an attack last week

NEWS4 November 3 – new report finds that PG County magnet schools have not met goals

NEWS4 November 3 – a new effort to help students succeed with the help of local business was launched in some school districts in DC, Montgomery and PG counties

NEWS4 November 4 – a 6th grade straight A student won a trip to Disney World due to her grades

NEWS4 November 8 – a nation-wide initiative to give computer access to children was launched today

NEWS4 November 9 – Supreme Court heard arguments today on whether colleges can require students to pay activity fees, then use the money to fund organizations the students disagree with

NEWS4 November 9 – research shows teenagers perform better when school starts later

NEWS4 November 9, 11 – Jesse Jackson will ask the Illinois Attorney General to investigate the expulsion from school of several black high school students in Decatur

NEWS4 November 18, 19 – nine students were killed after the collapse of a 40 ft high stack of logs at Texas A&M

NEWS4 November 19 – a Washington high school principal has been inducted into the Hall of Fame, one of only seven honorees

NEWS 4 November 23 – hundreds of District teachers demonstrated outside the DC Control Board Offices about their paychecks

NEWS4 November 30 – Howard University is observing World AIDS day with a special exhibition

NEWS4 November 30 – study of 27 charter schools found that schools are not skimming off the best students from the public schools

NEWS 4 December 6- Eileen Cardillo of Fairfax and Vaughn Gray of College Park have been chosen as Rhodes Scholars for next year; they will study at Oxford University in England

NEWS 4 December 6- The school superintendent in Fairfax County is proposing a raise from \$10 to \$15 for teachers who spend time in after school training

NEWS 4 December 14- Changes to the Montgomery County School curriculum could occur as early as next year and could affect those as young as 5

NEWS 4 December 14- for the third time in little more than a year, the Supreme Court has refused to be drawn into the debate over school vouchers

NEWS 4 December 15- Tonica Jenkins has been ordered to pay 16 thousand in scholarship money after forging papers and transcripts to attend Yale University

NEWS 4 December 17- Fairfax County School Superintendent Daniel Domenech had been given a 30 thousand-dollar raise 18 months before his current contract is up

NEWS 4 December 20- some DC school officials want parents of the worst truants to be fined or ordered to perform community service after a surprise attendance audit showed two high schools and an elementary school with nearly half the students absent

NEWS 4 December 21- Fairfax County School Board has decided not to ban a book that a couple wanted removed from school libraries

NEWS 4 December 22- students at an Arlington elementary school bid farewell to their school today; the school is being rebuilt

NEWS 4 December 22, 24- two discovery astronauts are out in space making repairs on the hubble space telescope

NEWS 4 December 23- school officials in Montgomery County have gone to the US Supreme Court over the issue of ethnic diversity in enrollment

VIII. ENVIRONMENT

WRC-TV regularly broadcasts news and other segments on regional environmental issues. Some examples are listed below.

NEWS 4 October 1, 11- Another inch of rain fell on North Carolina overnight

NEWS 4 October 1, 11- Thousands of people in Japan are finally leaving their houses after an accident at a Uranium Plant forced more that 3000 people to stay inside

NEWS 4 October 1- in Mexico, a 7.5 magnitude quake rocked the state of Oazaca

NEWS 4 October 1- siren that went off to warn people living near Aberdeen Proving Ground Chemical System was a false alarm

NEWS 4 October 11- tonight the death toll from last week's Mexican mudslide has grown to 350, and is expected to climb; more strong storms are expected

NEWS 4 October 25- the last of the liberty trees where colonial patriots once gathered to protest British rule, a tulip poplar tree at St. John's college, was cut down today; the tree had been weakened by disease and decay

NEWS4 November 2 – report on heavy rains and high winds moved through the area late this afternoon

NEWS4 November 4 - the National Capital Planning Commission voted tonight to allow Bell Atlantic to build two towers in Rock Creek Park

NEWS4 November 4- news coverage of Texas winter storm

NEWS4 November 5, 9 – officials at the Blue Plains sewage treatment are disputing reports of serious chlorine leaks at the plant; emergency meeting was held

NEWS4 November 5 – extra DC Department of Public Works employees and trucks will be out collecting leaves in neighborhoods where the leaf collection program has fallen behind schedule

Viewpoint: 11/7/99 7:00am - James Lee Witt, Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency Discussed Rebuilding From Hurricane Floyd, How Washington Area Residents Can Better Prepare For Severe Weather And Weather Related Risks To Washington Area Homeowners And Businesses

NEWS4 November 9 – school in SE Washington had to be closed for two weeks due to an asbestos problem

NEWS4 November 11- three bears are on the loose in Fairfax County – residents were warned about the danger

NEWS4 November 12, 13, 14 – news report on Turkey earthquake and efforts for possible survivors from earthquake in Turkey; members of Fairfax County's Urban Search and Rescue team are on the scene

NEWS4 November 19 – Atlanta giant panda bears will make their public debut tomorrow

NEWS4 November 19 – high school in Fairfax County was evacuated today because of a chemical spill in the science lab

NEWS4 December 3 – two people are dead after a storm in Texas – it has not yet been determined if it was tornado

NEWS 4 December 7- The Governors of MD, VA, and PA canceled a meeting today to work out a new agreement to protect the Chesapeake Bay; the Governors will meet privately with the head of the environmental protection agency

Reporter's Notebook 12/12/99 - Panelists: Doug Mckelway, News 4; Jerry Phillips, Wbig-Fm/Wtem-Am, Kristi King, Wtop-Am And Jonetta Barras, The Washington Times. Chesapeake Bay Plan Calls For A Cleaner Bay In Maryland. Governor Gilmore Says No To Any Virginia Participation In The Bay Plan For Cleanup.

NEWS 4 December 14- rainy weather during a deer hunt caused the number of deer killed to be low; hunt was scheduled to reduce deer population

NEWS 4 December 17- Starting New Years Day, all US commercial jets will have to meet a new federal noise standard

NEWS 4 December 19- Environmental Activist Julia Hill has agreed to pay Pacific Lumber 50 thousand dollars to protect the tree she spend two years living in as a protest

NEWS 4 December 19, 20, 21- In Venezuela, the number of people killed in floods and mudslides could go as high as 30 thousand

NEWS 4 December 20- In Arlington, a fallen generator leaked hundreds of gallons of diesel fuel into storm drains, which empty into the Potomac

NEWS 4 December 21- President Clinton announced tougher pollution controls for new cars, as well as sports utility vehicles

NEWS 4 December 22- Hundreds of people have evacuated their Southern California homes because of wildfires

VII. TRANSPORTATION

WRC-TV regularly broadcasts news and other segments on transportation issues, to include accidents. Some examples are listed below.

NEWS 4 October 22- authorities are trying to find out why an Amtrak passenger train derailed this morning east of Los Angeles

NEWS 4 October 22 – the FCC has set aside a band of frequencies to be used for a wireless traffic and safety information system

NEWS 4 October 25 – G Street in downtown DC re-opens, making traffic flow a little better

NEWS 4 October 25 – bus ridership is up by more than 60 thousand trips a day

NEWS 4 October 26 – report on school bus accident in Sullivan, Indiana; nearly 70 people were hurt and taken to area hospitals

NEWS 4 October 26, 27- VA Governor Jim Gilmore says he's pressing ahead with plans to widen I-66

NEWS 4 October 26 – investigators in San Jose, California, are trying to figure out why a police helicopter went out of control and crashed, killing a policeman and a mechanic on board

NEWS 4 October 26 – Virginia Governor Gilmore insists the mixing bowl road construction will be finished on time, despite report that completion will take an extra year and a half

NEWS 4 October 27 – the District has decided to hire 10 new inspectors to check on the work being done to repair roads

NEWS4 October 29 – big construction project is set to begin near the Rosslyn Metro Station

Reporters Notebook: 10/31/99 6:15am Panelists: Doug Mckelway, News 4; Dave Mcconnell, Wtop-Am, Jonetta Barras The Washington Times And Jerry Phillips Wbig-Fm/Wtem-Am Discuss The Interchange In Virginia; Governor Gilmore Calls For Added Lanes On Route 66 And Courts Entertain A Call For 12 Lanes On Wilson Bridge

NEWS 4 November 1- traffic is now back to normal after a giant hole appeared on the chain bridge in VA; the VA department of transportation says it could be related to a water main break in Arlington

NEWS 4 November 2- the government is proposing new regulations for airbags

NEWS 4 November 2- Boeing has been forced to delay the delivery of dozens of new planes because of a potentially dangerous problem

NEWS4 November 3 – project “Southeast Streetscape”, designed to improve part of South East DC, is officially underway

NEWS4 November 6 – Metro’s experiment in extended weekend hours is popular so far

NEWS4 November 11 – Mayor Williams is urging federal officials to re-open Pennsylvania Ave in front of the White House

NEWS4 November 19 – debate over whether to widen Montrose Road in Bethesda is intensifying

NEWS4 December 19 – new one-dollar coins that are due out in March will not fit in Metro’s farecard machines unless the machines are modified

NEWS4 December 1 – one and a half million dollars in federal funding is now available to improve Route 1 in PG County

NEWS4 December 1, 5 – Virginia Governor Gilmore disagrees with the suggestions of his commission on Transportation policy

NEWS4 December 2 – result of undercover investigation on airport security finds that investigators were able to slip past security 68% of the time

NEWS4 December 3 – two way traffic is returning to E Street from 15th to 17th street

NEWS4 December 3 – a private charter company will soon offer regular direct flights from New York to Havana, Cuba

NEWS4 December 6- Prince George’s County School Superintendent Iris Metts wants to hire 120 additional bus drivers to serve as substitute drivers when regular drivers are absent.

NEWS4 December 6-Metro has received its final federal grant for completion of the rail system. Today metro received an installment of nearly 50 million dollars, completing the federal government’s commitment of 6.4 billion dollars.

NEWS4 December 6-Two former employees of Sabretech Airline maintenance company were cleared today of all charges in connection with the ValuJet crash in 1996. The company was found not guilty of conspiracy and making false statements.

NEWS4 December 7- Northwest Airlines pilot was fired last week after walking off a plane just before it was about to depart, because he didn't like the in flight meal. Floyd Dean, who was a pilot with Northwest for 22 years, left the airport to find a good meal, causing his flight to be delayed for an hour and a half.

NEWS4 December 7-The FBI is investigation whether the shooting death of an elderly woman in Maryland was racially motivated. The victim was shot Saturday night as she and relatives were driving in Chestertown, Maryland.

NEWS4 December 9 – a small plane went down in a New Jersey neighborhood today, killing three people and critically injuring a fourth person

NEWS4-December 7- A woman whose out-of-control car killed a five year-old boy in Takoma Park, Maryland, has been given three traffic citations

NEWS4 December8-A Maryland State trooper pulled over a Germantown woman in the HOV lanes of 270 this morning for an illegal lane change, only to find that her passenger was really a dummy.

NEWS4 December 8-County Executive Doug Duncan announced a plan tonight to improve transportation in Montgomery County

NEWS4 December 9 - A new report that takes a close look at the NTSB concludes that the agency's investigative techniques haven't kept up with the complex designs of modern planes

NEWS4 December 9 - There's a new controversy tonight in the investigation into the crash of EgyptAir Flight 990. US officials are discounting earlier reports that the cockpit voice tape contains the sounds of multiple people in the cockpit.

NEWS4 December 14 - New York City transit workers will not strike today. A Supreme Court judge issued two restraining orders, barring bus and subway workers from striking at midnight

NEWS4 December 14 - A judge today granted temporary restraining orders in an attempt to prevent a walkout by transit workers early tomorrow

NEWS4 December 14-Metro trains will stop at platforms for five minutes before and after midnight on December 31st

NEWS4 December 14-Alexandria police say a suspicious package has been found in a parking lot on the East side of the Eisenhower Avenue metro station

NEWS4 December 15- the airline passengers' Bill of Rights went into effect today, and should mean better service and more on-time arrivals and departures

NEWS4 December 15 - Montgomery County Executive Doug Duncan says county's use of cameras to catch red light runners has been successful: 1900 citations were issued in the first month

NEWS4 December 16-A new survey by the Council of Governments confirms that the District's traffic is a mess - organization studies aerial photos of the highways during rush hour

NEWS4 December 17-NASA will try again tomorrow to launch the space shuttle Discover, after today's liftoff was cancelled. The launch has been delayed 7 times.

NEWS4 December 20-An 8-car accident in Prince George's County tonight, involving a senior citizens transport van, sent 11 people to the hospital. All of the injuries are said to be minor.

NEWS4 December 21 - plane bringing medical students home from Cuba for the holidays skidded off a rain slicked runway in Guatemala City, killing three people on the ground.

NEWS4 December 23- Flight number 2762, that runs from Atlanta to Washington each night, has been named the nation's most delayed flight of the year.

NEWS4 December 24-A man is hospitalized after being hit by a metro train at the Crystal City Station last night. One of the man's legs got caught between the train and the platform.

NEWS4 December 24-Security alerts have slowed holiday travel a bit. People are being urged not to leave bags unattended, and police are towing any cars that are left outside the terminal

NEWS4-December 26-A small plane had to make an emergency landing on a highway exit ramp in Chesterfield, Virginia